

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I wonder if Senator Chambers would yield to a series of questions, please.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Gladly and expectantly.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Senator Chambers, given your experience and wisdom and ability, as you have testified to it here so often,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...I wanted to ask, is it not the law that each and every provision of the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Nebraska are, whether by reference or otherwise, specifically incorporated into every law which we enact?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would you rephrase the question? Are you asking me must a statute be constitutional in order to stand? Is that basically what you are asking me?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: No, that's not what I'm asking you, Senator Chambers. I'm asking you if by reference specifically or inferentially do we not incorporate the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Nebraska and the statutes and rules and regulations of each into every law that we enact?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not really. On the Constitution, I think that's true, but statutes will replace other statutes so we're not incorporating them into what we offer and I'm not trying to be coy. I think I agree with you if you're saying that the provisions of the Constitution of the United States and Nebraska are taken into consideration when we enact laws. I agree with that.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: All right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But not all of the statutes.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: And with regard to LB 168, the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Nebraska will be